

Fast Food Fax

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Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand ranged light to good with most buyers assessing market conditions following the holiday weekend. Breast items were fully sufficient. Dark meat items were adequate. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Nov. 15, 2003

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	28,162	29,689	47,181	105,032
Percentage	27%	28%	45%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	5,647	5.38
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	6,358	6.05
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	6,090	5.80
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>10,067</u>	<u>9.58</u>
		28,162	26.81

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Sep 27	196,208	102	163,230	99	208,211	100	169,647	101	160,024	103
Oct 04	192,871	100	159,130	102	207,394	100	169,064	100	158,247	99
Oct 11	197,141	103	157,502	102	206,649	99	168,578	100	156,092	99
Oct 18	190,198	102	160,184	103	206,561	101	168,661	101	157,115	101
Oct 25	190,408	105	158,628	101	205,286	100	167,590	100	159,099	101
Nov 01	192,529	101	159,856	103	205,824	101	169,019	102	157,750	99
Nov 08	199,335	101	153,307	101	203,034	100	165,164	100	158,112	100
Nov 15	203,470	102	156,301	106	200,658	99	163,123	99	157,078	99
Nov 22	203,078	101	156,686	101	194,994	102	159,201	102	151,254	96

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
<u>Week of 12/01/03</u>				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	60- 63	61.25	61.13	47.30
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	56- 59	59.00	58.91	43.88
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	74	72.05	72.26	65.00
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		65.37	66.02	53.14
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 68.75)		67.36	67.35	60.45
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		52.57	51.96	34.01

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
<u>Weekly Weighted Average</u>	<u>11/28/03</u>	<u>11/28/03</u>	<u>12/01/03</u>
Breast - B/S	144.04	128.31	170.50
Tenderloins	142.25	144.91	198.00 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	74.50	82.35	89.00(Whole)
Leg Quarters	29.43	26.35	31.00
Wings	97.75	99.41	100.50